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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of:

AVENTIS DOCKET NO.: 2551 US CNT
INVENTORS: Philippe Becourt, et al.
TITLE: **Pharmaceutical Formulation Having a Masked Taste and Method For The Production Thereof**



APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1. ☒ *Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Specification
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the DisclosureTotal Pages
3. ☐ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets
4. Oath or Declaration Total Pages
 - a. ☒ Newly unexecuted (original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR § 1.63(d))
 - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. Power of Attorney Total Pages
 - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR § 1.63(d))
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission

(if applicable, all necessary)

- a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

☒ If a **CONTINUING** Application, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part

of prior application no: **PCT/FR02/02158**, filed **June 21, 2002**.

Examiner _____, Group/Art Unit _____.

(The cross reference has been/will be inserted on page one of the specification).

☒ This application claims the benefit of **French Application No. 0108157**,
filed **June 21, 2001**.

(The cross reference has been/will be inserted on page one of the specification).

☐ **Incorporation By Reference** (useable if filing a continuation/divisional and a copy of the declaration from the prior application is enclosed.)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

7. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
8. ☐ 37 CFR §3.73(b) Statement
(when there is an assignee)
9. ☐ Verified English Translation Document (if applicable)
10. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
13. ☐ *Small Entity Statement(s) ☐ Statement filed in prior application,
(PTO/SB/09-12) Status still proper and desired
14. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
15. ☒ Other: **Application Data Sheet (3 pgs.)**

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 806.00)

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Application Number	N t Y t Assigned
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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☒ Deposit Account

Deposit Account Number **18-1982**

Deposit Account Name **Aventis Pharmaceuticals Inc.**

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1001	770	2001	375	Utility filing fee	770
1002	340	2002	165	Design filing Fee	
1003	530	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 770.00)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims **22** - 20** = **2** x **18** = **36**

Independent Claims **3** - 3** = **0** x **0** = **0**

Multiple Dependent **0** = **0**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	86	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	290	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	86	2204	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 36.00)

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

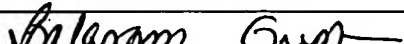
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English Specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	235	Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	315	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) _____

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)

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